



## Swim Official Level 1 Classes - Fall 2023 Season

### Introduction

Thank you for your interest in becoming a YMCA Swim Official. In September and October 2023, we are offering three Swim Official Level 1 classes. This is the YMCA entrance level class that teaches the basics of how to be a swim official with an emphasis on judging the races/events. Only individuals who are at least 21 years of age and are associated with a recognized YMCA swim team are eligible to enroll in this class.

Those individuals interested in renewing their Level 1 credentials should also take this class.

The remainder of this document explains how to register and participate in the Swim Official Level 1 class.

### Registration, Course Structure, and how to set up an LCDC Account

YMCA Swim Official classes were originally designed as in-person four-hour classes. By holding the classes via Zoom we have been able to reduce the course time to roughly three hours by breaking the class into two separate classes. These are the Y Swimming Orientation and the Level 1 class.

#### Y Swimming Orientation

This is a one-hour overview of YMCA competitive swimming. You do not need to register in advance for this orientation as it is offered multiple times. All you will have to do is attend one of the one-hour orientations. The instructor will be Earl Long, [ejlswim@gmail.com](mailto:ejlswim@gmail.com). The dates and Zoom links are:

| Date                         | Start time | Class Type  | Zoom link                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday, September 11, 2023   | 7 p.m.     | Orientation | <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89273809822?pwd=M0FtU3pPKzF1Q2tyckxub2R6WTJOUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89273809822?pwd=M0FtU3pPKzF1Q2tyckxub2R6WTJOUT09</a> |
| Thursday, September 21, 2023 | 7 p.m.     | Orientation | <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86039924103?pwd=MjIjEaZEbDZzV2o2ZENwQ0wreINQQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86039924103?pwd=MjIjEaZEbDZzV2o2ZENwQ0wreINQQT09</a> |
| Thursday, October 5, 2023    | 7 p.m.     | Orientation | <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87008108758?pwd=TzJrRmIDQWIPZ09SZUY1am5WWjNOdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87008108758?pwd=TzJrRmIDQWIPZ09SZUY1am5WWjNOdz09</a> |
| Thursday, November 2, 2023   | 7 p.m.     | Orientation | <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87112615379?pwd=L0VhM29hVUJ2dDkrbnhRZXFvMk9sdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87112615379?pwd=L0VhM29hVUJ2dDkrbnhRZXFvMk9sdz09</a> |

#### Level 1 Class

You will need to log-in to the YMCA's Learning and Career Development Center (LCDC) to register for the class by using this link - <http://lcdc.yexchange.org/>.

After you click on the link you may be asked to log into your LCDC account. If you currently do not have an LCDC account, you can create the account by clicking on the "Sign up now" button illustrated on this screen.

Click these [instructions](#) on how to set up an LCDC account.

**IMPORTANT** - Once you log in you need to return to these instructions and click on the Invitation URL to register for the class. Your LCDC account needs to be open before you click on the URL.

The Level 1 class will be offered on three different days. Just select the class you want to attend and click on its URL from the list below:

| Date                         | Start time | Class Type | Invitation URL                                                                                                              | Sanction Number |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Saturday, September 16, 2023 | 1 p.m.     | Level 1    | <a href="https://lcdc.yexchange.org/Catalog/Class/Detail/291638">https://lcdc.yexchange.org/Catalog/Class/Detail/291638</a> | C36P01X         |
| Thursday, September 28, 2023 | 7 p.m.     | Level 1    | <a href="https://lcdc.yexchange.org/Catalog/Class/Detail/291640">https://lcdc.yexchange.org/Catalog/Class/Detail/291640</a> | C65C37J         |
| Saturday, October 7, 2023    | 1 p.m.     | Level 1    | <a href="https://lcdc.yexchange.org/Catalog/Class/Detail/291641">https://lcdc.yexchange.org/Catalog/Class/Detail/291641</a> | C47W15P         |

The URL will take you to the LCDC registration page. Please complete the registration at least two days before the day of the class. That will allow the instructor time to send you the Zoom link for the class.

### **One last requirement**

You will need to obtain the signature of a YMCA executive that verifies that you are approved to take this class as a volunteer. The signature may be from a Branch Executive, Aquatics Director, or Swim Team Head Coach. Complete and send this [attached form](#) to the Level 1 class instructor, Earl Long, [ejlswim@gmail.com](mailto:ejlswim@gmail.com).

### **Cost**

**PSSA Affiliated Cost.** The registration fee is \$-0- for individuals who are affiliated with a Puget Sound Swimming Association (PSSA) swim team. Those teams are:

[AUBURN VALLEY YMCA](#), [BREMERTON YMCA](#), [GORDON FAMILY YMCA](#), [LAKEWOOD YMCA](#), [MEL KORUM YMCA](#), [MORGAN FAMILY YMCA](#), [NORTHSHORE YMCA](#), [SKAGIT VALLEY YMCA](#), [SOUTH SOUND YMCA](#), [TOM TAYLOR FAMILY YMCA](#), [WEST SEATTLE FAMILY YMCA](#), [WHATCOM YMCA](#), [YMCA OF GRAYS HARBOR](#), and [YMCA OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY](#)

**Non-PSSA Affiliated Cost.** For those individuals not affiliated with the Puget Sound Swimming Association (PSSA) the fee is \$45.

Instructions on how to pay this fee will be sent to Non-PSSA individuals after completion of their LCDC registration.

### **Questions**

If you have any questions about the class, please contact Earl Long at [ejlswim@gmail.com](mailto:ejlswim@gmail.com) or cell/text at 206-581-4688.